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Pennsylvania Egg Production Up 4 Percent in October

HARRISBURG, PA – Nov 24, 2010 - - Egg production in Pennsylvania during October 2010 totaled 585 million eggs, up 4 percent from the 563 million eggs produced in October 2009, according to the Pennsylvania Field Office of USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The total number of layers averaged 23.7 million during October, a three percent increase from last year. Production per 100 layers was 2,471 eggs during the month, an increase of 18 eggs overall from October 2009. Broiler-type chicks hatched in Pennsylvania totaled 13.4 million during October 2010, a four percent decrease from the number hatched in the same month a year earlier.

U.S. egg production totaled 7.68 billion during October 2010, down slightly from last year. Production included 6.60 billion table eggs, and 1.08 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.01 billion were broiler-type and 71 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during October 2010 averaged 336 million, up slightly from last year. October egg production per 100 layers was 2,285 eggs, down slightly from October 2009.

Egg-type chicks hatched during October 2010 totaled 41.3 million, up ten percent from October 2009. Broiler-type chicks hatched during October 2010 totaled 767 million, up five percent from October 2009. There were 21.2 million net poults placed during October 2010 in the United States, down slightly from the number placed during the same month a year earlier.

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